DC Interagency Council on Homelessness (ICH)

Community Round Table Meeting

Wednesday, September 2nd, 2009, 1:00-2:00 pm; N Street Village

We are convening a Community Round Table Meeting in advance of the ICH meeting today, which will take place at 2:30 pm. This forum is open to all members of the community, and it is intended to solicit input regarding key issues facing the ICH and those who are homeless in DC. This input is sought to inform the ICH planning process and committees.

<u>Objective:</u> Participants are asked to reflect on the questions below and to offer their input through small group conversation and/or written comments.

Topic: Information

- 1. What would be the most useful "self-help" information to have available in the shelters? Be sure to give specific topics.
- 2. What are the best ways to provide "self-help" information and resources for people who are homeless? Examples could include: information binders/reading material, internet-based sources, toll-free telephone numbers, access to telephone and computers, and others. What are your recommendations?

Topic: Transportation

- 1. What are fair practices regarding the availability and operation of the transportation system for those who are homeless, including persons with disabilities?
- 2. Would you consider a card, such as the <u>DC One Card</u>, that would allow you to access public transportation, the public library, and other services to be an asset? Do you have any problems with a card such as this? Please be specific.

Suggestions for future topics, questions: